

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The Examiner's cooperation during the telephone interview of April 4, 2006 is greatly appreciated.

The Examiner's communication of February 15, 2006 together with the references cited therein, have been given careful consideration. After such consideration, and in an earnest effort to complete the prosecution of this application, the Applicant has set down the following arguments in support of claims 1-11 and 13-19.

Claims 11-15 have been rejected as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 1-10 have been allowed. Claims 12 and 20 have been indicated as containing allowable subject matter. Claims 11 and 13-19 have been rejected over Applicant's stated Background in view of Farrow, US 4,191,995.

Claim 11 has been amended, as suggested by the Examiner, to overcome the non-statutory subject matter rejection. Claim 11 has also been amended to include the allowable subject matter of claim 12. Claim 12 has been canceled without prejudice. Claim 11, as well claims 13-15 which depend from claim 11, are in condition for allowance.

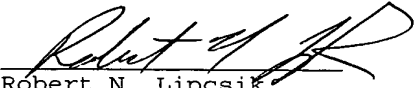
Claim 16 has been amended to include the allowable subject matter of claim 20. Claim 20 has been canceled without prejudice. Claim 16, as well claims 17-19 which depend from claim 16, are in condition for allowance.

Allowance of the subject application is respectfully requested.

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the fees for this election to our Deposit Account No. 20-0090.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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